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In re Application of: Thomas J. MONICA et al.

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For: CONCENTRATION AND LYSIS OF ADENOVIRUS-  
INFECTED CELLS IN A SINGLE UNIT OPERATION

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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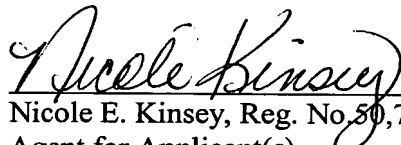
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 20, 2003, applicants hereby elect with traverse Group I (claims 1-21 and 24-28).

It is respectfully submitted that a search of the claims of Groups I-II would be co-extensive, and would not represent a serious search burden for the patent office. Absent a serious burden of examination, restriction is not proper. See MPEP § 803. Thus, the requirement should be withdrawn.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

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